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#### MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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Sir:

As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, and in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98, Applicants, through the undersigned attorney, submit this Information Disclosure Statement. The patents, publications or other information submitted herewith are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, with the exception of the U.S. references. Also attached is a copy of the International Search Report which issued in a corresponding German application.

It is noted that Documents AB, AN and AO were cited in the corresponding International Search Report. Documents AA, AP, AQ, and AR were cited in the Examination Report granted by the PTO in corresponding German application.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3), this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits of the above-identified application. Accordingly, no fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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